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In re application of:

MINORU TAKEBE

Serial No: 09/284,935

Filed: May 3, 1999

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action issued on October 18, 2000, Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time so as to file a Continued Prosecution Application on the above-identified application and enclosed herewith is a check in the sum of \$890.00 as the fee.

Please charge any additional costs incurred by or in order to implement this request for an extension of time or any additional requests for extensions of time to KODA & ANDROLIA DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 11-1445.

Respectfully submitted,

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